



PUBLIC NOTICE OF DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN AND DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION

**Former Aliso Street Manufactured Gas Plant Site,
Sector C, Block N
Los Angeles, California**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: July 21, 2004 to August 20, 2004

We invite you to comment on a proposal to clean up one area within a former industrial site known as the Former Aliso Street Manufactured Gas Plant Site. The area is known as Sector C, Block N in downtown Los Angeles, California. It is located southeast of downtown Los Angeles. The property is currently used for crude oil transfer and storage. The current owner is the Manley Oil Company.

Over the last 13 years the soil was sampled and tested. Two main groups of chemicals were found: PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) and VOCs (volatile organic compounds), primarily naphthalene and benzene at elevated concentrations. The proposed cleanup plan, which calls for digging out and hauling away the contaminated soil to an offsite treatment facility, will make this area safe for future activities. Our agency, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), will oversee the cleanup to help ensure the surrounding public is protected.

The draft cleanup plan is described in a document titled, "Draft Removal Action Workplan for the Former Aliso Street Manufactured Gas Plant, Sector C, Block N." The cleanup, if approved as written, is expected to happen during September and October of 2004 using a maximum of 50 trucks per day.

Our agency did a study to see if the cleanup activities would have a negative impact on (harm) the environment. This study is required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based upon our information, the cleanup activities are not expected to harm public health or the environment.

We encourage you to review and comment on both the draft cleanup plan and the Negative Declaration during the 30-day comment period of July 21, 2004 to August 20, 2004. Please send written comments, emailed or postmarked by August 20, 2004, to Pete Cooke, DTSC Project Manager, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, California 91201. Email: PCooke@dtsc.ca.gov.

Copies of the proposed cleanup plan (Draft Removal Action Workplan), draft Negative Declaration and Special Initial Study are at the Lincoln Heights Public Library, 2530 Workman Street, Los Angeles, (323) 226-1692. They are also at our agency's office at the Glendale address shown above. Please contact DTSC's representative, Ms. Jone Barrio, at (818) 551-2952, to make an appointment. If you have questions about the project, please contact Pete Cooke, Project Manager, at (818) 551-2193 (Email PCooke@dtsc.ca.gov) or Leticia Hernandez, Public Participation Specialist, at (714) 484-5488 (Email lhernand@dtsc.ca.gov).

NOTICE TO THE HEARING IMPAIRED:

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